

TITLE IX—TAX INCENTIVES FOR ENERGY PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION**SEC. 4901. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING TAX INCENTIVES FOR ENERGY PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION.**

It is the sense of Congress that certain Federal tax incentives including those contained in title IX of S. 389 as introduced in the First Session of the 107th Congress should be enacted into law to encourage energy production and conservation in the United States.

SA 1583. Mr. DORGAN (for Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BAYH, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. HELMS, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. CHAFEE, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KERRY, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WYDEN, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. WARNER)) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2590, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the bill, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "The 9/11 Heroes Stamp Act of 2001".

SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT THAT A SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMP BE DESIGNED AND ISSUED.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In order to afford the public a direct and tangible way to provide assistance to the families of emergency relief personnel killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty in connection with the terrorist attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001, the United States Postal Service shall issue a semipostal in accordance with subsection (b).

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—The provisions of section 416 of title 39, United States Code, shall apply as practicable with respect to the semipostal described in subsection (a), subject to the following:

(c) RATE OF POSTAGE.—Section 414(b) of title 39, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "of not to exceed 25 percent" and inserting "of not less than 15 percent"; and

(2) by adding after the sentence following paragraph (3) the following: "The special rate of postage of an individual stamp under this section shall be an amount that is evenly divisible by 5."

(d) DISPOSITION OF AMOUNTS BECOMING AVAILABLE.—All amounts becoming available from the sale of the semipostal (as determined under such section) shall be transferred to the Federal Emergency Management Agency under such arrangements as the Postal Service shall by mutual agreement with such agency establish in order to carry out the purposes of this Act.

(e) COMMENCEMENT AND TERMINATION DATES.—Stamps under this section shall be issued—

(A) beginning on the earliest date practicable; and

(B) for such period of time as the Postal Service considers necessary and appropriate, but in no event less than 2 years.

"(g) For purposes of section 416 (including any regulation prescribed under subsection

(e)(1)(C) of that section), the special postage stamp issued under this section shall not apply to any limitation relating to whether more than 1 semipostal may be offered for sale at the same time."

(c) DESIGN.—It is the sense of the Congress that the semipostal issued under this section should depict, by such design as the Postal Service considers to be most appropriate, the efforts of emergency relief personnel at the site of the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia.

SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Act—

(1) the term "emergency relief personnel" means firefighters, law enforcement officers, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, members of the clergy, and other individuals (including employees of legally organized and recognized volunteer organizations, whether compensated or not) who, in the course of professional duties, respond to fire, medical, hazardous material, or other similar emergencies; and

(2) the term "semipostal" has the meaning given such term by section 416 of title 39, United States Code.

SA 1584. Mr. DORGAN (for Mr. HATCH) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2590, making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 36, line 7, after the semicolon insert the following: "of which \$2,500,000 shall be used for a newly designated HIDTA in the State of Utah."

NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS**SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS**

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, September 25, 2001, beginning at 2:30 p.m. in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the effectiveness of the National Fire Plan in the 2001 fire season, including fuel reduction initiatives, and to examine the 10-Year Comprehensive Strategy for Reducing Wildland Fire Risks to Communities and the Environment that was recently agreed to by the Western Governors' Association, Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton and Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and For-

ests, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 312 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please contact Kira Finkler of the committee staff at (202) 224-8164.

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Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, September 26, 2001, beginning at 2:30 p.m. in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the science and implementation of the Northwest Forest Plan including its effect on species restoration and timber availability.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 312 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510.

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Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, October 2, 2001, beginning at 2:30 p.m. in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the interaction of old-growth forest protection initiative and national forest policy.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 312 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510.

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Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Matt King, a